Sociology (SOC)

SOC 2510 Sociology ...........................................3 Credit Hours
English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1510 or ESL 2520.
This course will cover the basic sociological theories, paradigms, and
methods of social research. Some of the topics included in this course
include culture, socialization, society, groups, inequalities, global society,
deviance, social class, stratification, institutions, social change, and
demography. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

GE Outcomes: Global Understanding and Responsibility

SOC 2520 Analysis of Social Problems .....................3 Credit Hours
English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1510.
Prerequisite: SOC 2510
The student will explain and describe major social problems in
contemporary American society and potential programs for the prevention
and amelioration of these problems. The student will analyze the following
social problems from a general, theoretical point of view: poverty, health,
crime and juvenile delinquency, mental disease, personality adjustment,
marijuana, and housing. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

SOC 2530 Racial and Ethnic Group Relations ...........3 Credit Hours
English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1510 or ESL 2520.
Prerequisite: SOC 2510
This course offers a comprehensive overview of the causes and processes
whereby racial and ethnic divisions are established, reproduced, and
sometimes transformed. As social constructs, race and ethnicity are
approached through the lens of the sociological imagination - in a way
that takes into account evidence of the social and historical forces at
work in the world. This course will cover today's most controversial and
misunderstood race-related topics, including immigration, affirmative
action, racial segregation, interracial relationships, political representation,
racialized poverty and affluence, educational inequality, incarceration,
terrorism, cultural appropriation, civil society, religion, marriage and
divorce, and racial identity formation. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

SOC 2550 Sociology of the Aging ..........................3 Credit Hours
English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1510 or ESL 2520.
Prerequisite: PSY 2510 or SOC 2510
The objective of the course is to provide the student with an understanding
of aging processes, the demography of the aged, and the implications of
aging for the individual and society in the future. BILLABLE CONTACT
HOURS: 3

SOC 2560 Sociology of Sex Roles ..........................3 Credit Hours
English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1510 or ESL 2520.
The student will analyze the biosocial, cultural and institutional factors
which determine the form and content of male and female social roles.
The student will examine socialization theories which perpetuate the
distinctions between female and male sex roles. The student will inquire
into the political, economic, educational, religious, and other institutional
forces which channel men and women toward the development of their
emotions, values, self-concepts, and careers. The class will pay attention
to the social, personal, and interpersonal consequences of the female
and male distinctions. The student will investigate social movements
demanding or resisting changes in the allocation of opportunities for men
and women. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

SOC 2570 Marriage and Family in Modern Society .........3 Credit Hours
English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1510 or ESL 2520.
The student will explore basic concepts relating to marriage and families
in modern society. This is an introduction to the changing perspectives
of courtship, marriage, family life, and the varying sexual roles, social
values, and life styles reflected in contemporary mate selection patterns.
BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

GE Outcomes: Personal Development

SOC 2580 Mass Media and Society ..........................3 Credit Hours
English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1510 or ESL 2520.
Prerequisite: SOC 2510
This course will analyze the impact of mass communication in society
with respect to the formation of public opinion and the dissemination of
information. The student will develop the ability to critically examine the
techniques of the mass media and its effects upon the American culture.
BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

SOC 2610 Introduction to Criminology .....................3 Credit Hours
English/ESL Placement: Placement into ENG 1510 or ESL 2520.
Prerequisite: SOC 2510
This course will apply sociological principles to analyze and interpret social
factors that contribute to crime. Some of the topics covered will include
etiology of crime, criminal statistics, law, nature of crime, institutions and
crime, courts, corrections, prevention, and many popular issues dealing
with criminology today. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

SOC 2620 Sociology of Diversity ............................3 Credit Hours
Prerequisite: Placement into ENG 1510 or ESL 2520.
This course will address many facets of diversity such as ability or
disability status, age, body type, ethnicity, experience, family, gender
identity, lifestyle, political ideology, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation,
and socioeconomic status; illustrating how a person's status in each
category influences his or her social interactions, rights, and life chances.
The course will address theory and research on diversity as well as the
encouragement of behavior that embraces diversity and promotes a more
just and peaceful society. BILLABLE CONTACT HOURS: 3

GE Outcomes: Social Responsibility